

Note :

1. Coverage figures are inclusive of fringe areas (elevated antennae and boosters are required for satisfactory reception in fringe areas.)
2. Terrain conditions not taken into consideration.
3. Based on 1981 Census.

[English]

Tourist Places in Rajasthan

1055. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are aware of the numerous places of tourist importance in Rajasthan to attract foreign tourist;

(b) if so, the steps taken to develop these potentialities in the last three years; and

(c) the details of the schemes prepared to tap and develop tourist potentialities in Rajasthan during 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Identification and development of tourist centres is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. However, Central Department of Tourism provided central financial assistance of Rs.1060.04 lakhs to construct tourist bungalows, tourist reception centres, tourist complexes, Wayside amenities, camping sites, tourist lodges, yatrikas and for the Palace on Wheels Train to the State Government of Rajasthan during the last three years i.e., 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.

(c) Central financial assistance is extended to the State Govt. during 1996-97 on receipt of technically complete proposals depending upon their merit, inter-se priority and availability of funds. Accordingly, the projects prioritized for 1996-97 for Rajasthan for around Rs.1 Crore are :-

S.No.	Name of the project
1.	Extension of Tourist Bungalow, Gangwar
2.	Tourist Bungalow, Ajmer
3.	Tourist Bungalow, Mt. Abu
4.	Tourist Bungalow at Churu
5.	Tourist Bungalow at Jhunjhunu
6.	Cafeteria at Osian

Air Crash

1056. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received the Court of Enquiry report on crash of super king aircraft during

July 1994 in which all the 13 persons including the then Punjab Governor died at Kulu;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the number of suggestions made by the earlier enquiry reports of such type of air crash in the country have not been implemented; and

(d) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to the report of the Court of Inquiry the accident was caused due to serious error on the part of the flight crew by not strictly adhering to the Visual Flight Rules (VFR) for the flight to Bhuntar airfield. As a result, the aircraft after encountering cumulous clouds enroute, deviated from the pre-determined route and collided with the hill top covered with clouds.

(c) and (d). Most of the recommendations made by the earlier Courts of Inquiry have been implemented and the remaining few are in the process of implementation.

[Translation]

Expenditure incurred on Education of Tribals and Scheduled Castes

1057. SHRI NITISH KUMAR : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government have been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Centre's fund for dalits, inadequate", appearing in the daily 'Pioneer' dated July 1, 1996;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the expenditure incurred on education of tribals and Scheduled Castes in the country has increased in comparison to the expenditure incurred under the same head during the last four decades;

(c) if so, the amount incurred under this head during each of the last four decades;

(d) the amounts under this head in the initial years of nineties;

(e) whether it is also a fact that these amounts have not increased in proportion to the wholesale price index; and

(f) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE : (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is a fact that expenditure during last four decades under the Centrally sponsored scheme of Post-Matric Scholarships to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been increasing.

(c) The expenditure during each of last four decades under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is as under :-

Decade	Total Expenditure (Rs. in lakhs)
1950-51 to 1959-60	746.79
1960-61 to 1969-70	4725.85
1970-71 to 1979-80	25406.09
1980-81 to 1989-90	94862.026

(d) The expenditure incurred from 1990-91 to 1994-95, year-wise under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is given below:

Year	Total expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs)
1990-91	15921.876
1991-92	18235.856
1992-93	18937.886
1993-94	18080.414
1994-95	20096.773

(e) and (f). The maintenance allowance provided under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is not linked with Consumer Price Index. The maintenance allowance rates under the Scheme are decided keeping in view the availability of funds.

Bonded Labour

1058. JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

SHRI N. DENNIS :

SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) the number of bonded labourers identified in different States and Union Territories during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the names of the States in which they are in large number;

(c) whether efforts were made to liberate bonded labourers from exploitation; and

(d) if so, the number of bonded labourers liberated and rehabilitated during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. AURNACHALAM) : (a) to (d). Since inception of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 a total number of 2,51,424 bonded labourers have been identified.

The Bonded Labour had been reported in large numbers in the states of Karnataka (62708), Orissa (49971), Tamil Nadu (38886), Andhra Pradesh (36289) and Uttar Pradesh (27489).

All the identified bonded labourers have been liberated and out of them only about 4,600 bonded labourers are at present awaiting rehabilitation.

Remuneration for Programmes

1059. SHRI ANAND RATAN MAURYA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria fixed for providing remuneration for the development of programmes by Doordarshan;

(b) the details of programmes telecast on river valley development schemes during the last one year till date and the mode of payments therefor;

(c) the number of complaints received regarding non-payment remuneration to artist by Doordarshan or producers; and

(d) the details thereof and the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Producers of the commissioned programmes are given lumpsum amount keeping in view the budget details submitted by them alongwith their proposal and as approved by the Costing Committee.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) No such complaint has been received by Doordarshan. Doordarshan is, however, not aware of complaints, if any, received by the producers in this connection.

(d) Does not arise.

[English]

Development of Tourism in Assam

1060. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the proposals for development of tourism in Assam and allocation of financial assistance therefor pending with the Union Government for clearance;